

# 1 John 2: 3-6; 1 Corinthians 11:1; Ephesians 5:1-2

Inderstanding

### 1 John 2: 3-6

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### Love and Hatred for Fellow Believers

3 We know that we have come to know him if we keep his commands. 4 Whoever says, "I know him," but does not do what he commands is a liar, and the truth is not in that person. 5 But if anyone obeys his word, love for God[a] is truly made complete in them. This is how we know we are in him: 6 Whoever claims to live in him must live as Jesus did.



### 1 Corinthians 11:1

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1 Follow my example, as I follow the example of Christ.

## Ephesians 5:1-2

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1 Follow God's example, therefore, as dearly loved children 2 and walk in the way of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.



"As a follower of Jesus, I will live a life of love the way He did."



In 1 John 2:3-6, what did the Apostle John say about those who claim that they know God?



In 1 Corinthians 11:1, what was Apostle Paul's instruction?



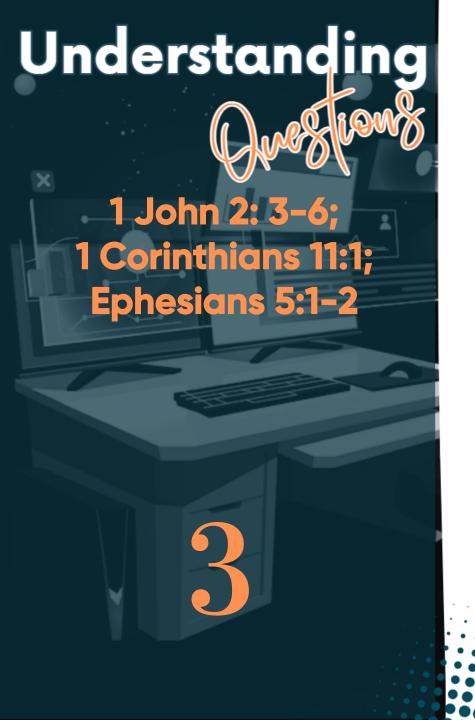
In Ephesians 5:1–2, what was the Apostle Paul's exhortation to the believers?



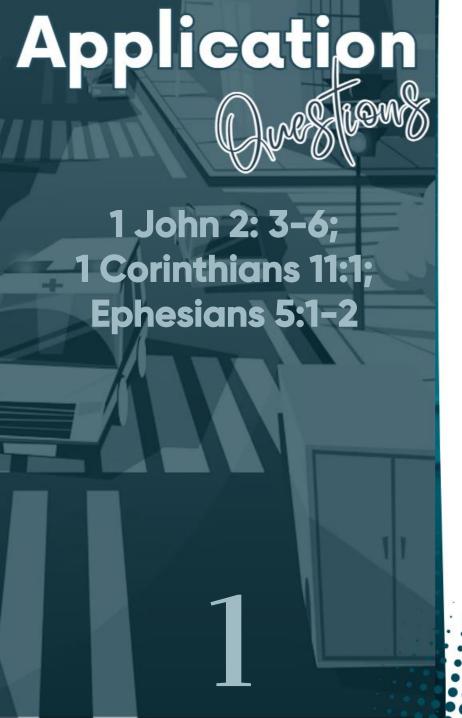
If we are to imitate and reflect the life of Jesus in our lives, we must first know who He is. How is Jesus described in the Bible?



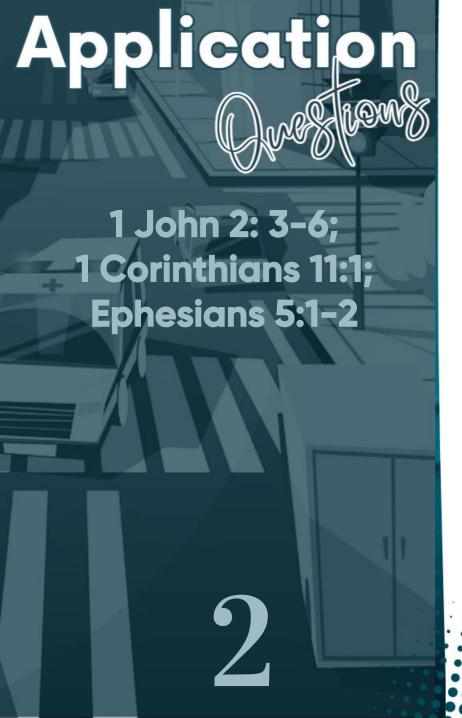
Among all the characteristics of Jesus that we can gather from the names given to Him in the Bible, why did the Apostle Paul, in Ephesians 5:1-2, single out love as the one characteristic of Jesus that believers should imitate and reflect in their lives?



Jesus' death on the cross, done in obedience to His Father's will, is the ultimate proof of His sacrificial love for mankind. How else did Jesus show His love in the Scriptures?



Jesus showed His love for God the Father by obeying His will to die on the cross to save mankind from sin and death. Like Jesus, do you also obey God's will for your life? Share your victories and struggles in this area.



As a follower and imitator of Jesus, how will you live a life of love as He did? Write down specific ways that you can love specific people (e.g., a family member, a neighbor, a tormentor), as Jesus Ioved us.



Share with your group an instance when you felt God's love through a fellow believer. Thank God for that person, and resolve to love others as you were loved by another.



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